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President:	Mr. Amorim	(Brazil)
Members:	Argentina	Ms. Ramírez
	Bahrain	Mr. Buallay
	Canada	Mr. Fowler
	China	Mr. Qin Huasan
	France	Mr. Doutriaux
	Gabon	Mr. Eboumy
	Gambia	Mr. Jagne
	Malaysia	Mr. Rastam
	Namibia	Mr. Theron
	Netherlands	Mr. Van Walsum
	Russian Federation	Mr. Lavrov
	Slovenia	Mr. Türk
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Eldon
	United States of America	Mr. Burleigh

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Special report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (S/1999/20)

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The meeting was called to order at 12.50 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Sierra Leone and Togo, in which they request to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dabor (Sierra Leone) took a seat at the Council table; Mr. Kpotsra (Togo) took the seat reserved for him at the side of the Council Chamber.

The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the third progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone, document S/1998/1176, and the special report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone, document S/1999/20.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/1999/26, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

I should like also to draw the attention of the members of the Council to the following documents: S/1999/17, letter dated 6 January 1999 from the Chargé d'affaires *ad interim* of the Permanent Mission of Liberia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council; and S/1999/18, letter dated 7 January 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Togo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/26) before it. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Gabon, Gambia, Malaysia, Namibia, Netherlands, Russian Federation, Slovenia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1220 (1999).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 12.55 p.m.